FISCAL NOTE

SB 2507 - HB 2523

February 12, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that skateboard park operators must require people to wear a helmet, elbow and kneepads to ride a skateboard therein. Specifies that a governmental entity that owns or operates a facility for recreational skateboard use has met this protective gear requirement by posting signs and passing an ordinance requiring such protective gear. Specifies that any person participating in or observing hazardous recreational activities (inline skating, skateboarding, and freestyle bicycling) assumes the inherent risks in these activities and that no public entity that permits such activities on its property is required to eliminate, alter or control these inherent risks. Provides that no governmental entity or public employee shall be liable to any person for any damage or injury that arises out of that person's participation in hazardous recreational activities on government property.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Local Govt. Expenditures - Net Impact - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- governmental entities allowing the affected activities on their property will experience an increase in expenditures for the cost of posting the required signs.
- to the extent the liability protections outlined in the bill reduce insurance premiums or claims (for self-insured entities) paid by governmental entities allowing the activities provided in the bill, their expenditures will decrease.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director